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TO:

**EACH SUPERVISOR** 

FROM:

DARYL L. OSBY, FIRE CHIEF

## CONTRACT AIR ARRIVALS

This is to inform your Honorable Board of the early arrival of the two CL-415 SuperScoopers, Quebec 1 & 2, that are leased annually from the Government of Quebec. The wildland fuel conditions, fire weather, and early fire activity has precipitated the need to request an early arrival of three weeks. The SuperScoopers will arrive on Saturday, August 6, 2016, and will be operational out of the Department's Van Nuys Airport Tanker Base beginning Monday, August 8, 2016.

As indicated in the Board Memo dated July 20, 2016, the S-64F Helitanker (HT-731) has arrived and began operations on Monday, August 1, 2016, two weeks earlier than scheduled, and will be responding from the Department's Van Nuys Airport Tanker Base for the initial 120-day lease.

The Department will continue to evaluate the wildland fuel conditions, fire activity and weather forecasts in order to determine if these important firefighting aerial resources will need to be extended past the initial lease periods. I will keep your Board apprised accordingly.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (323) 881-6180.

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